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**"FORWARD WITH BOOKS"**

**Children's Book Week**

**November 15-23**

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

The immediate objectives of the State Library Commission for the fiscal year July 1, 1941-June 30, 1942, were to give advisory service in establishing county libraries, to advise with trustees of existing libraries in extending service to county through contract, and to urge subscription libraries to give free service if possible. Emphasis has been placed upon the importance of cooperation and integration of the library program with other public agencies. **Book selection and suggestions** on how to make better use of available material have been of major importance.

More than fifty per cent of the secretary's time has been given to field service. Visits have been made to twenty-five free public libraries—five of these libraries have been observed three times during the past twelve months. Three subscription libraries have been visited. Eight senior college libraries, including library service of the demonstration schools in each of the teacher training agencies, have been observed. Visits have been made to many high schools and junior colleges. The Secretary served as State Director of the Victory Book Campaign. Each camp library in the state and many U. S. O. clubs were visited during this campaign.

The district office in each of the four areas of the Work Projects Administration has been visited. Conferences were held with members of the administrative staff, as well as with the area assistant of the library project on the progress of library development. From two to three county projects have been observed in each area.

Assistance was given in planning the annual meeting of the State Library Association and the library section of the Mississippi Education Association. Suggestions were also made for the articles on library service which appeared monthly in the Mississippi Educational Advance.

The library legislative program—state aid, certification, and increased support on the State Library Commission—required much time and thought. The appropriation for the biennium July 1, 1942 to June 30, 1944, is \$11,000.00, an increase of \$2,000.00. After many contacts were made with the legislators in regard to state aid and certification it was decided by the library committees of the House and Senate unwise to introduce these two measures at this time.

Efforts are being made constantly to strengthen the state agency in making it a more effective agency in planning for future state service. Statistical records for every type of service are available for a five year period, professional periodicals are kept up-to-date, many professional tools have been added recently. Professional periodicals have been bound from 1928 to date. This has already proved of great value in study and research. "Books", which will be published quarterly, is an effort to strengthen bibliographic aid from the central office. A file of up-to-date catalogs of the library schools throughout the United States is available.

The State Library Commission has sponsored the state-wide WPA library project since 1935. Even though much publicity has been given to this phase of the state-wide library service, there is still much confusion in the minds of the public as to the relationship of the State Library Commission and the WPA project. This relationship is the same as that of any other project with the existing agency—that is, the existing agency is responsible for the engineering of plans and specifications for the work. The Work Projects Administration through the library project has made it possible for the Commission to greatly strengthen the supplementary book service and professional personnel to administer this service. Too much emphasis cannot be given to the importance and the real value which this aid has meant in the improvement of the reading interest in the state, particularly in children's books.

Since 1937 it has been the policy of the State Library Commission to purchase books for subject material only. The federal funds available for books have been used to assist a new county library in supplementing the book stock of its initial collection for bookmobile service from one to three years. There have been six such libraries Alcorn, Grenada, Harrison, Hinds, Lee, and Madison. These collections have ranged from 600 volumes to 1,500 volumes. The number of volumes depends upon local funds available, type of cooperative programs with the county school system, and the future means of distribution. Federal funds also provide books for supplementary service to counties in which there is no established public library and to any other free library with a limited book budget, provided service is given to the rural area. These collections vary from 25 to 300 volumes for a six month period. Fifty per cent of the funds were used to buy children's books.

The services of a full-time trained librarian have been paid from federal funds in Hinds County and Harrison County for a two year period, a part-time trained librarian in Lee and Madison Counties for a one year period, a full-time experienced librarian with some formal training in Grenada for a one year period. Library workers were provided from federal funds for the distributing centers and to drive the bookmobile. Two bookmobiles have been provided from federal funds. Provision has been made for the next fiscal year for a full-time trained librarian in Hinds County and Harrison County, paid from local funds. Alcorn and Grenada have employed trained librarians, paid from local funds over a period of years. Lee County and Madison County have not yet met this minimum standard recommended by the State Library Commission.

The above policies were followed until it became necessary to redirect the the program of the Work Projects Administration to meet the all out effort for total war. The library program has been redirected to assist the O.P.A., O.C.D. and other state-wide agencies in supplying pamphlets, charts, and other material in print through War Information Reference and Reading Service Centers. Every effort possible is being made to help the public to understand what total war means. The program has also been redirected to provide workers in military centers, U. S. O. clubs, and in other soldier and sailor recreational centers. Books and personnel are

being provided for defense areas where the local library cannot meet the present demand due to the influx of population brought about by war workers and soldiers' families in defense areas and military centers.

In order to comply with the rules and regulations of the Work Projects Administration to meet the war effort, it will not be possible to employ a full-time trained librarian for a county as formerly. Each member of the trained staff will be charged with the responsibility of supervision of several War Information Reference and Reading Service Centers. Careful study of the statistics which appear elsewhere in this bulletin will show the extent of the program and the location of county workers.

In order to further comply with federal regulations books to be purchased with federal funds available through the Work Projects Administration must fall in the following subject fields: American history; American life (North and South America); background of the nations at war, political, social, and economic; democracy; gardening; government; health; international relations; nutrition; technical fields related to war industry, including industrial and horticultural fields; vocational.

A trained librarian who has had wide experience in public library service and book selection is in charge of the reference department. She is assisted by the cataloger who is also a professionally trained librarian. The state supervisor is a trained librarian with wide experience in various fields of library service. She gives general supervision of book service, confers with the Secretary of the State Library Commission concerning state plans for library development, as well as keeping the Secretary informed about rules and regulations which must be observed by an existing agency requesting the aid of the Work Projects Administration. The salaries of three professional librarians and seven clerical assistants in the central office are paid from federal funds.

The following statistics show the type service offered and where the service has been given during the past fiscal year:

#### BOOK COLLECTION

Fiscal Year October 1, 1941 — September 30, 1942

Volumes Owned by Work Projects Administration.....	26,265
Volumes Owned by State Library Commission.....	4,335
Total.....	30,600

#### Circulation

Collections: 463	Volumes: 15,729
Individual Loans:	
Fiction.....	1,576
Non-fiction.....	2,941
Total.....	4,517
Special Requests: 2,103.	
Pamphlets: 458	

The following table shows the distribution of book service:

**STATE EXTENSION BOOK SERVICE\***

October 1, 1941 — September 30, 1942

County	Reference (Volumes)	Collections (Volumes)	Total
Adams .....	97	118	215
Alcorn .....	41	151	192
Attala .....	100	311	411
Benton .....	2	.....	2
Bolivar .....	48	638	686
Calhoun .....	17	35	52
Carroll .....	40	230	270
Chickasaw .....	70	17	87
Choctaw .....	12	108	120
Claiborne .....	2	12	14
Clarke .....	39	248	287
Clay .....	26	185	211
Copiah .....	41	235	276
Covington .....	39	91	130
DeSoto .....	21	152	173
Forrest .....	25	274	299
Franklin .....	2	.....	2
George .....	33	25	58
Grenada .....	33	99	132
Hancock .....	87	133	220
Harrison .....	43	830	873
Hinds .....	151	683	834
Holmes .....	70	16	86
Humphreys .....	34	61	95
Itawamba .....	42	176	218
Issaquena .....	.....	11	11
Jackson .....	53	416	469
Jackson College (Hinds) .....	.....	738	738
Jasper .....	3	.....	3
Jefferson .....	.....	6	6
Jefferson Davis .....	3	.....	3
Jones .....	11	5	16
Kemper .....	22	257	279
Lafayette .....	13	216	229
Lamar .....	60	667	727
Lauderdale .....	18	11	29
Lawrence .....	8	.....	8
Leake .....	26	329	355
Lee .....	169	589	758
Leflore .....	11	138	149
Lincoln .....	30	398	428
Lowndes .....	74	781	855
Madison .....	39	628	667
Marion .....	27	118	145
Marshall .....	38	102	140

Monroe .....	47	167	214
Montgomery .....	28	.....	28
Neshoba .....	1	13	14
Newton .....	23	74	97
Oktibbeha .....	22	7	29
Panola .....	3	.....	3
Pearl River .....	12	15	27
Perry .....	25	408	433
Pike .....	79	200	279
Pontotoc .....	34	224	258
Prentiss .....	9	305	314
Quitman .....	9	194	203
Rankin .....	34	.....	34
Scott .....	114	321	435
Simpson .....	50	595	645
Smith .....	14	.....	14
State College (Oktibbeha) .....	.....	26	26
Sunflower .....	20	543	563
Tallahatchie .....	20	157	177
Tate .....	17	100	117
Tippah .....	3	97	100
Tishomingo .....	14	34	48
Union .....	42	286	328
Walthall .....	40	215	255
Washington .....	4	193	197
Wayne .....	12	57	69
Webster .....	4	197	201
Winston .....	20	5	25
Yalobusha .....	4	5	9
Totals.....	2,424	14,676	17,100

\* This service has been given from the combined book collection of the State War Information Reference and Reading Service and the State Library Commission. The entire personnel of the State War Information Reference and Reading Service is paid with federal funds available through the Work Projects Administration.

#### Conclusion

A comparative study of the statistics showing the growth and development of library service in the state over a five year period will give one something of the progress in library development during recent years. While the increased support is encouraging, present library facilities, efficient personnel, and financial support are nothing short of a crisis to provide adequate material to meet the present need and to get the greatest use and the widest possible reading of available material. A total war means that every man, woman, and child must be well informed on the problems of winning the war, planning the peace for America, and the post war world.

Library legislation in this state provides for a sound basic plan for a program of action. The type of material available, use of such material,

and the cooperative plan of all libraries—public, school, college, and state—as well as the plan of integration with other educational agencies have been the problems of chief interest and study during the past three years by the Secretary. Qualified library leadership, active and interested trustees, local interest will be essential for working out these problems.

The strength of library leadership must be brought about by active participation of librarians, trustees, and interested citizens through national and state organizations. The American Library Association Bulletin, November 1941, lists only fifty-four individual members and seventeen institutional members of the national organization. The October 1942 issue of the American Library Association Bulletin is well worth the cost of annual membership. "A message to American Librarians" by Elmer Davis, Chief of the Office of War Information, should be a must article. "Converting the Library to War Conditions" by Ruth Rutzen should be required reading by each trustee and librarian. This article may be secured as a separate from the American Library Association for the small amount of \$1.50 for ten copies. "Let's Inform Ourselves", a list compiled by Alice M. Farquhar, Chairman of the Adult Education Board, should be available in every library. Of the fifteen publications listed, eight may be secured free.

**Youth, Libraries and the War**, available from the School and Children's Library Division, American Library Association, offers many excellent suggestions and plans for school librarians and public librarians in organizing the library to meet the needs of children and youth in a total war effort. **For Our Children in Wartime**, a program of state action issued by the United States Department of Labor, Children's Bureau, Washington, D. C., gives excellent suggestions for children's librarians, clubs, and group organizations.

Dr. William D. McCain, President of the Mississippi Library Association, calls attention in this bulletin to the importance of membership in the state organization. It is vital that librarians and trustees keep in close touch with state and national planning boards if libraries and librarians are to be a part of the educational program in a post war America and a post war world. There will be strength in united effort.

The Secretary called attention to the various phases of the war in LIBRARY NEWS, Vol. VI, No. 3. In this article an effort was made to show that it would be necessary to change the policy of book selection in many libraries to meet the demands in a nation at war. Miss Rutzen not only emphasized the change of the policy of book selection, but also the necessity for many changes in the internal organization of the library.

Each librarian and each member of the board of trustees, no matter where her field of service, is urged to evaluate her library in terms of a world at war, see that book funds are used to the very best advantage, find ways and means which will result in the best possible use of the material, and see that the internal organization and methods of reading guidance are such that patrons will solicit help and guidance. Each librarian must realize in the words of Elmer Davis, "In the present . . . librarians . . . carry a responsibility such as they have never carried in our history . . . they are combatants from this time on."



# SUMMARY OF STATISTICS\*

## Public Libraries, 1941

Libraries	Service		Books	Total	Per Capita
	Area	Volumes			
31 (free) .....	930,426	341,755	\$29,450.55	\$ 86,897.96	.09
including 13 county					
7 (subscription) .....	91,517	53,838	3,757.64	1,992.79	.11
42† (counties, WPA, not working with estab- lished libraries) .....	974,019	96,404	10,169.10	14,483.52	.014
80	1,975,962	491,997	\$43,375.29	\$109,374.27	.05†

## Senior Colleges—Scholastic Year 1941-1942

Colleges	Enrollment	Volumes	Books, (including binding and periodicals)
9 (8)	6,323	311,793	\$51,928.38

## Junior Colleges—Scholastic Year 1941-1942

Colleges	Enrollment	Volumes	Books, (including binding and periodicals)
16 (11)	2,497	63,416	\$8,455.52

## Senior High Schools Accredited by Southern Association, Scholastic Year 1941-1942

Schools	Enrollment	Volumes	Books, (including periodicals)
70 (53)	16,787	149,572	\$18,661.18

Two public libraries, one senior college library, five junior college libraries, and seventeen high school libraries failed to report.

\* For detailed statistics see tables in this bulletin.

† Fiscal year October 1, 1941-September 30, 1942.

† Five cents per capita for service area; also for total population of 2,183,796.

§ Negro service is given in Alcorn County, Monroe County, Coahoma County, Leflore County, Washington County, Lauderdale County.

## THE MEETING OF THE MISSISSIPPI LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FOR 1942

By William D. McCain

The President of the Mississippi Library Association deeply regrets that he has to announce that the annual meeting scheduled for November in Jackson will not be held. The Office of Defense Transportation recently requested that all county and state fairs and non-essential conventions be abandoned for the duration of the war. The President conferred with the other officers of the Association and with many of its members and finally came to the reluctant conclusion that the annual meeting should not be held in 1942. No decision has been reached concerning a meeting in 1943; that matter can be better settled at the proper time in the future. Advice from the membership on this problem will be more than welcome.

War demands will probably become so acute that all learned societies and organizations will be requested to suspend their meeting for the duration of the war. Many library associations and historical societies have decided not to meet this year. The Southwestern Library Association and the Southeastern Library Association were to meet in New Orleans this year, but concluded that the meeting had to be postponed. The annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association, which was to be held in Montgomery, was cancelled. The Society of American Archivists and the American Association for State and Local History will meet in Richmond this month, but will probably decide not to convene again until the end of the war.

The fact that the annual meeting will not be held this year should not deter librarians and libraries from paying their dues. The treasury of the Association now contains exactly \$124.92. The bank account showed \$124.21 when the present President assumed his office. If this surplus could be built up to \$250.00, the Association would be in a much better position to invite noted Southern speakers for future annual book dinners. The annual membership fee for the individual is \$1.00 and the annual institutional fee is \$2.50. Since the secretary-treasurer elected at the last meeting has resigned, dues should be sent to William D. McCain, Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi. Checks and money orders should be made payable only to the Mississippi Library Association.

Members of the Mississippi Library Association are now doing everything possible to contribute toward winning this war which has engulfed us. That certainly is as it should be, for anything else that we do or achieve will be valueless if we lose this war. The Germans seem to have taken great pride in burning books in the past few years. One of the first acts of the Japanese after their arrival in Manila was to burn books. The man who probably contributed most toward the development of libraries in Manila after the United States took over the Philippines was a close personal friend of the writer. It is well that he did not live long enough to see his great work destroyed by barbarians.

The lives of all librarians should always have been devoted to the collection and the disseminating of information on democracy, on republican forms of government, on liberty, on freedom of speech, on Christianity, and on the blessings of these institutions and ideals. Correct and powerful information contained in the printed page might have prevented this war. Correct and powerful information contained in the printed page will contribute toward winning this war and toward making this a better world after the war is won. All efforts of librarians should now be directed toward winning the war, for the world will matter little to us if the war is lost. Each and every librarian must do his or her best wherever he or she is. If every American turned every effort toward the winning of this war, there would be a great flood of accomplishment flowing toward an early termination of this conflict and toward making this present depraved and barbarous world a better place in which to live.

# FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS—FISCAL YEAR 1941

Place	RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURES										Other	Total
	City	County	Other	Total	Per Capital (5)	Books	Periodicals	Binding	Salaries						
Abbeville, Evans Memorial.....	1,220.00	500.00	446.66	2,166.66	.06	679.34	69.47	203.47	900.00	291.74	2,144.62				
Alcorn County, Corinth.....		1,500.00	159.98	1,659.98	.06	164.37		29.31	1,200.00	321.92	1,716.60				
Attala County, Kosciusko (1).....		1,118.34	356.00	1,474.34	.04	1,052.00				387.56	1,439.56				
Bloxi.....		NO REPORT													
Bolton.....	720.00	300.00	78.93	1,098.93	.03	315.67	20.50	19.78	300.00	266.72	922.67				
Clatsop.....	12,000.00	3,600.00	906.27	16,506.27	.34	2,636.83	386.85	660.04	10,143.25	2,510.09	16,337.06				
Clatsop, Hernando (1).....		1,048.83	6.40	1,055.23	.04	886.98				136.66	1,023.64				
Greenville.....	2,100.00	1,500.00	371.25	3,971.25	.07	1,346.73	178.45	83.50	1,903.70	487.71	4,000.09				
Grenada County, Grenada.....	412.50	166.64	336.83	915.97	.05	938.39	15.40	37.76	180.00	186.81	1,358.36				
Gulfport.....	1,200.00	4,087.17	37.44	5,294.61	.07	1,225.00	27.00		945.00		1,200.00				
Harrison County, Gulfport (1).....	4,851.77	2,900.00	8,715.93(4)	13,567.70	.28	1,200.00		93.56	3,467.80	2,930.51(3)	7,400.31				
Harris County, Jackson (2).....	375.00	2,900.00	31.18	2,911.18	.06	2,304.36		22.20		1,077.04	8,592.29				
Holmes County, Durant.....	275.00	1,200.00	94.59	1,569.59	.04	1,100.56	42.75	66.14	130.00	137.91	2,604.47				
Houston.....	300.00	1,200.00	120.23	2,500.23	.24	3,000.00	22.90	7.66	300.00	89.77	430.23				
Jackson.....	8,740.00			8,740.00	.14	3,000.00	105.00	500.00	3,780.00	307.00	7,692.00				
Laurel, Lauren Rogers.....		225.00	1,136.19	1,361.19	.03	ENDOWED									
Lee County, Tupelo.....		480.00	253.48	733.48	.12	54.48		45.22	480.00	1,234.46(3)	1,334.16				
McComb.....	6,000.00	1,200.00		7,200.00	.12	219.49	7.00		3,540.00	26.99	3,540.00				
Neshoba County, Philadelphia.....		300.00	100.30	400.30	.014	241.36	5.68	26.09	345.00	84.98	358.11				
Okolona.....	479.29	140.00	37.79	517.08	.02	34.79		24.50	708.00	72.00	476.29				
Okibbeha County, Starkville.....	1,500.00	215.00	181.70	1,886.70	.09	309.72	47.50	76.91	WPA	188.06	1,886.63				
Pitayune.....	300.00	300.00	93.00	693.00	.05	558.68	19.50	20.00	708.00	80.00	1,302.24				
Port Gibson.....	170.00	300.00	80.00	550.00	.02	312.38		56.75	120.00	60.00	549.34				
Quitman County, Marks.....	360.00	539.63	899.53	899.53	.014	456.03	56.99			360.00	549.34				
Snifflower County, Ruleville.....		1,250.00	223.40	1,473.40	.06	1,250.00				223.40	1,473.40				
Union County, New Albany.....	4,000.00	1,500.00	2,401.63	7,901.63	.19	1,893.87	201.65	122.71	4,200.00	945.03	7,363.26				
Vicksburg.....	1,500.00			1,500.00	.26	1,893.87	73.75	5.92	740.00	170.32	1,293.24				
West Point.....						304.15									
TOTAL.....	\$46,768.56	\$23,890.51	\$16,246.59	\$86,897.96	.09	\$26,069.93	\$1,223.40	\$2,157.22	\$33,786.65	\$12,320.20	\$75,507.40				

(1) Fiscal Year October 1, 1941—September 30, 1942.

(2) Fiscal Year July 1, 1941—June 30, 1942.

(3) Includes purchase of bookmobile.

(4) \$7,500.00 due to sale of real estate.

(5) Per Capita support is based upon service area.

# FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS—FISCAL YEAR 1941

Place	Librarian	Total Pop. County	Population in Service Area	Borrowers	Per Cent	Volumes	Circulation	Per Capita	Staff	County Service	WPA Workers
Aberdeen, Evans Memorial	Peacock, Lucile	37,648	37,648	8,285	22	12,866	70,777	2	1	Yes	11
Alcorn County, Corinth	Gavere, Mrs. Jane	26,969	26,969	1,003	4	5,102	128,520	4	1	Yes	7
Attala County, Kosciusko	Gilliland, Mrs. Beulah	30,227	30,227	2,465	8	2,411	43,808	1	WPA	Yes	9
Biloxi	Friedhoff, Florence	NO REPORT	NO REPORT								
Canton	Cussell, Mary E.	37,504	37,504	2,372	6	4,824	16,238	.4	1	Yes	7
Clarke	Almond, Royland L.	28,533	28,533	13,940	25	52,731	131,933	4	1	Yes	2
Dallas	Almond, Mrs. Julia	26,333	26,333	1,305	5	1,981	22,239	.9	WPA	Yes	5
De Kalb County, Hernado	Worthington, Amanda	NO REPORT	NO REPORT								
Greenwood	Smith, Mr. Sanders	53,406	53,406	6,507	12	15,569	90,308	1.6	2	Yes	10
Grenada County, Grenada	Jones, Elizabeth	19,052	19,052	2,922	15	5,058	48,176	2.	1	Yes	10
Gulfport	Bradley, Mrs. J. W.	15,195	15,195	3,900	25	13,000	22,785	1.	1	No	10
Harrison County, Gulfport	McKeever, Mrs. Catherine C.	50,799	50,799	2,252	4	7,077	79,773	1.	WPA	Yes	11
Hattiesburg	Mitchell, Mary M.	34,901	21,026	10,154	48	19,506	63,366	3.	2	No	5
Hinds County, Jackson	Swearingen, Bethany	107,273	45,066	2,606	5	4,178	112,614	2.	1	Yes	18
Holmes County, Durant	Swearingen, Mrs. H. H.	35,710	31,068	1,084	3	6,345	42,592	1.	1	Yes	3
Houston	Newlon, Mrs. H. H.	1,729	1,729							No	3
Jackson	Parker, Mrs. Annie M.	62,107	62,107	18,503	29	39,296	110,102	1.7	4	No	No
Laurel, Lauren Rogers	Bradley, Ella	49,227	49,227						Reference Library		
Lee County, Tupelo	Foster, Mrs. M. M. (1)	38,838	38,838	7,275	18	12,566	33,300	1.	WPA	Yes	15
McComb	Lilly, Mrs. J. R.	35,002	9,898	875	9	9,846	15,474	1.	1	No	No
Neshoba County, Philadelphia	Bailey, Mrs. T. L.	58,247	58,247	7,424	12	52,147	148,720	2.	3	Yes	6
Neshoba County, Philadelphia	Jones, Mrs. Walker (1)	27,862	27,862	2,549	9	2,549	12,256	.4	WPA	Yes	3
Newton County, Ruleville	McKay, Frances B.	22,151	22,151	1,316	6	6,051	33,650	1.2	WPA	Yes	6
Pike County, Starkville	Murray, Jesse Mae	19,125	19,125	4,105	21	5,380	14,331	1.7	WPA	Yes	6
Port Gibson	Person, Frances	12,810	12,810	909	7	6,838	22,282	1.	1	Yes	No
Quitman County, Marka	Pettyjohn, Mrs. W. J.	27,191	27,191	2,028	7	3,125	20,182	.7	1	Yes	4
Sunflower County, Ruleville	Clark, Dr. J. A. (1)	61,007	61,007	2,481	4	3,548	31,774	.5	WPA	Yes	7
Union County, New Albany	Smith, Mrs. W. F. (1)	21,867	21,867	2,344	10	4,435	52,735	2.	WPA	Yes	7
Jacksonburg	Birchett, Mary	39,595	39,595	11,072	28	26,949	73,804	2.	1	Yes	3
West Point	Heard, Lucy	19,930	6,627	805	14	8,025	9,800	1.7	1	No	No
TOTAL		965,844	930,426	116,848	12	341,755	1,509,362	1.6	37		152

(1) Chairman of Library Board.



# SUBSCRIPTION AND ASSOCIATION—FISCAL YEAR 1941

Place	Librarian	Total Pop. County	Population in Service Area	Borrowers	Per Cent	Volumes	Circulation	Per Capita	Staff	County Service	WPA Workers
Brookhaven	Hardy, Ethel	27,506	6,232	1,256	20	9,592	12,547		2	No	No
Corinth (2)	McEachern, Mrs. A. J.		7,818						1	No	No
Laurel	Cooley, Mrs. Bess		20,598			31,579	51,173		1	No	No
Natchez	Kelly, Mrs. J. M.	27,238	15,296				1,629		1	No	No
Natchez, Fiske	Carson, Lily								1	No	No
Pass Christian	Carson, Mrs. P. St. G.		3,338		5	12,667	59,160		1	No	No
Yazoo City (1)	Garber, Mrs. M. P.	40,091	40,091	2,350	—	53,838	124,519		1	Yes	Yes
TOTAL	Darden, Mrs. M. P.	94,335	71,517	3,606					8		

(1) Free service to county residents outside city.

(2) There is free public library service in the county.

**War Information Reference and Reading Service Statistics—Fiscal Year October 1, 1941-September 30, 1942\***

County	Local Tax	Other	Total	Books	Other	Total	Borrowers	Volumes	Circulation	Popu- lation	WPA Workers
Adams	618.50	33.35	651.75	541.45	121.79	663.24	3,354	2,699	24,181	97,238	5
Albany	317.90	11.42	329.32	297.77	31.55	329.32	1,350	2,099	26,517	47,574	4
Baldwin	150.00	205.00	355.00	288.64	53.91	342.55	2,971	1,283	20,886	20,893	2
Carroll	180.00	157.55	337.55	316.79	22.89	339.68	1,160	1,359	31,812	20,651	6
Chocoma	95.00	41.77	136.77	125.32	19.79	145.11	410	1,165	23,402	13,548	1
Clarke	300.00	13.00	313.00	281.78	61.52	343.30	600	2,640	16,945	20,596	2
Clay	275.00		275.00	190.17	73.81	263.98	972	854	20,068	19,030	0
Copiah	165.00	55.48	400.43	274.09	146.20	420.29	350	1,042	21,279	33,704	0
Greene	200.00	137.00	337.00	272.88	32.55	305.43	472	1,203	18,451	38,704	10
Grover	200.00	137.00	337.00	272.88	32.55	305.43	472	1,203	18,451	38,704	10
Hancock	54.83	134.40	189.23	85.91	65.73	151.64	507	5,453	11,207	11,328	1
Humphreys	400.00	16.69	416.69	432.48	38.58	471.06	441	1,519	3,019	26,087	3
Issaquena	250.00	.70	250.70	168.35	12.27	180.62	213	1,910	7,029	6,433	1
Itasca	255.15	255.15	510.30	190.00	68.42	258.42	3,000	1,769	96,605	19,922	2
Jackson	300.00	255.15	555.15	323.61	18.26	341.87	1,826	3,759	18,665	20,601	1
Jefferson	275.00	58.83	333.83	282.87	11.34	294.21	1,360	1,980	23,711	39,867	9
Lafayette	275.00	58.83	333.83	282.87	11.34	294.21	1,360	1,980	23,711	39,867	9
Lamar	121.50	14.25	135.75	129.15	105.53	234.68	2,305	2,107	21,169	21,257	4
Leake	121.50	14.25	135.75	129.15	105.53	234.68	2,305	2,107	21,169	21,257	4
Lenoir	121.50	14.25	135.75	129.15	105.53	234.68	2,305	2,107	21,169	21,257	4
Lincoln	90.00	40.52	130.52	168.39	107.74	276.13	492	1,583	11,014	12,096	2
Lowndes	90.00	33.20	123.20	168.39	11.92	180.31	443	1,525	6,178	24,570	2
Louisiana	1,162.94	30.20	1,193.14	1,171.73	21.97	1,193.70	1,720	1,603	20,096	27,506	2
Madison	1,162.94	30.20	1,193.14	1,171.73	21.97	1,193.70	1,720	1,603	20,096	27,506	2
Marion	1,162.94	30.20	1,193.14	1,171.73	21.97	1,193.70	1,720	1,603	20,096	27,506	2
Marshall	1,162.94	30.20	1,193.14	1,171.73	21.97	1,193.70	1,720	1,603	20,096	27,506	2
Montgomery	110.00	183.31	293.31	296.31	29.51	325.82	1,192	4,737	38,359	34,050	3
Newton	300.00	7.50	307.50	223.01	49.90	272.91	1,396	1,858	33,901	15,703	4
Noxubee	120.00	151.44	271.44	140.94	136.92	277.86	1,011	6,625	10,529	24,249	3
Oak	150.00	1.70	151.70	286.80	29.97	316.77	760	1,442	19,125	25,669	3
Perry	70.00	1.17	71.17	36.07	58.90	94.97	635	839	11,368	9,292	2
Pike	300.00	50.44	350.44	283.02	71.38	354.40	1,689	4,417	31,132	35,002	0

\* Statistics represent counties not working with an established library.

For other work in War Information References and Reading Service refer to public library statistics and annual report of the State Library Commission, fiscal year July 1, 1941-June 30, 1942.



		EXPENDITURES					Enrollment	Volumes	Total	Other	Student Assistance	Binding	Periodicals	Books	Librarian	Place	College
	Belhaven																
	Blue Mountain																
	Georgia State																
	Jackson																
	Millersville																
	Mississippi																
	Mississippi State																
	Star-ville																
	M. S. C. W.																
	Columbia																
	Southern																
	Hattiesburg																
	University																
	Oxford																
	Davis, Mr. Whitman																
	Anderson, Mary Agnes																
	Camb, Lucy																
	Blue Mountain																
	Jackson																
	Edith																
	Quisenberry, Mrs. Rosa																
	Rice, Nannie H.																
	Culbertson, Beulah																
	Roberts, Anna M.																
	Davis, Mr. Whitman																
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# JUNIOR COLLEGE LIBRARY STATISTICS—MISSISSIPPI, 1941-1942

College	Place	Librarian	Books	Periodicals	Binding	Student Assistance	Other	Total	Volumes	Enrollment
All Saints	Vicksburg	Reinke, Mary Louise	107.00	63.77	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	5.00	215.77	2,562	87
Clarke Memorial	Neshoba	Reinke, Mary Louise	107.00	63.77	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	5.00	215.77	2,562	87
Good Faith	Wesson	Reinke, Mary Louise	107.00	63.77	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	5.00	215.77	2,562	87
East Central	Wesson	Reinke, Mary Louise	107.00	63.77	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	5.00	215.77	2,562	87
East Mississippi	Decatur	Burton, Ethel	1,007.97	150.54	21.90	180.00	24.70	1,205.11	4,739	200
Gulf Park	Decatur	Burton, Ethel	182.03	93.65	30.48	180.00	6.60	492.76	3,419	190
Harrison-Stone-Jackson	Scobee	Alexander, Emma Joe	549.37	135.00	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	80.02	1,187.39	6,046	191
Hinds	Gulfport	Milden, Dorothy	663.07	179.15	45.00	378.00	35.90	1,086.94	4,963	334
Holmes	Raymond	Guy, Lucille	663.07	179.15	158.52	639.50	30.73	1,396.14	5,101	565
Homes County	Goodman	Montague, Mrs. Billy	663.07	179.15	158.52	639.50	30.73	1,396.14	5,101	565
Issaquena	Goodman	Montague, Mrs. Billy	663.07	179.15	158.52	639.50	30.73	1,396.14	5,101	565
Madison	Meridian	Holliday, Adelle Jane	818.18	301.02	166.12	360.00	68.25	1,713.57	1,151	218
Northwest	Meridian	Holliday, Adelle Jane	818.18	301.02	166.12	360.00	68.25	1,713.57	1,151	218
Pearl River	Senatobia	Horn, Mrs. Anna	305.17	163.45	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	47.20	785.82	4,646	162
Southwest	Poplarville	Thomas, Henrietta	305.17	163.45	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	47.20	785.82	4,646	162
Sunflower	Sunmit	Everett, Anna	648.41	169.20	NO REPORT	NO REPORT	81.63	1,331.24	5,999	315
Wood	Moorhead	Chambley, Mrs. Ella	590.98	146.80	51.33	492.35	129.58	1,411.04	5,230	235
	Mathiston	Pierce, Mary								
TOTAL			\$6,025.59	\$1,742.13	\$687.80	\$3,255.85	\$726.61	\$12,431.98	63,416	2,497

# HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY STATISTICS—SCHOLASTIC YEAR 1941-1942

School	Librarian	Books	Periodicals	Binding	Supplies	Volumes	High School Enrollment
Aberdeen	NO REPORT	200.00	50.00	.....	50.00	2,765	300
Amory	Miller, Elizabeth Louis	198.92	27.50	.....	7.00	.....	202
Bay St. Louis	Colmer, Alice	30.00	20.00	.....	1.00	793	50
St. Joseph's Academy	Grace, Sister Mary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Stanislaus	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Baton Rouge	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Biloxi	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brookhaven	Cartier, Merle	375.00	47.00	20.00	10.00	2,009	550
Brooklyn	Turner, Reba	400.00	60.00	20.00	40.00	2,092	285
Canton	Clark, Catherine	210.00	30.00	.....	30.00	2,061	312
Charleston	Johnson, Lynette	70.60	52.00	21.50	10.00	1,942	295
Chattanooga	Claudia, Sister Mary	150.00	168.70	.....	.....	5,858	110
Clarksville	Roberts, Annie Beas	247.41	72.25	17.50	19.36	3,762	459
Cleveland	Bagwell, Mrs. C. I.	485.14	196.05	.....	54.55	3,593	459
Columbia	McLennan, Joanna	237.23	65.20	2.60	28.90	2,112	275
Columbia	Duncan, Jana	381.78	55.95	77.95	15.00	5,098	313
Corinth	Irion, Miss Grey	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300
Crystal Springs	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Drew	Cathy	450.00	65.00	.....	50.00	2,094	240
Durant	Margaret	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Florida	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville	McIntosh, Lillie	355.15	110.14	.....	21.35	4,784	359
Greenwood	Webb, Tillie	325.00	40.00	35.00	10.00	2,000	350
Grenada	Lyons, Mary E.	101.47	37.65	15.25	20.88	2,740	293
Gulfport	Harding, Lillie	607.40	44.00	.....	.....	6,985	570
Gulfport, G.C.M.A.	Gilbert, Helen	303.16	105.20	69.33	34.02	3,704	389
Hattiesburg	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hattiesburg, Demonstration	Hathorn, Lucy	1,000.00	50.00	25.00	25.00	5,999	1,200
Hattiesburg	Margaret E.	200.00	.....	.....	.....	1,866	.....
Hattiesburg	NO REPORT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hollandale	McIntosh, Irma	185.17	35.00	.....	.....	1,403	115
Holly Springs	Moore, Susie Floyd	163.00	37.00	.....	10.00	1,381	214
Horn Lake	Day, Mrs. Richard	250.00	50.00	10.00	30.00	1,460	132
Indianola	Perkins, Iva	122.00	53.00	.....	.....	1,402	158
Itta Bena	McMullan, Bernice	182.00	17.00	3.00	7.00	1,609	.....

# HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY STATISTICS—SCHOLASTIC YEAR 1941-1942 (Continued)

School	Librarian	Books	Periodicals	Binding	Supplies	Volumes	High School Enrollment
Jackson	Ehlers, Lucile	650.90	143.80	107.99	15.00	6,448	1,375
Ketchikan	Gardner, Margaret	225.00	99.80	10.50	43.50	1,350	1,350
Laurel	Bacon, Mabel	287.60	99.80	37.00	18.00	4,262	529
Leland	Reynolds, Elizabeth	250.00	45.00	5.00	20.00	3,252	298
Lexington	Whitehead, Janet	125.00	40.00		30.00	1,248	125
Louisville	Spiva, Madge	370.00	50.00		15.00	2,746	497
McComb	Gaut, Frances	205.00	131.20	85.85	15.00	3,779	454
Marks	Robbins, Willie Dee	118.07	25.00	9.00	4.50	1,454	160
Merigold	Newman, Mable	145.00	40.00		5.00	2,018	125
Point	NO REPORT						
Natchez	NO REPORT						
New Albany	Finger, Mary Joan	300.00	70.00	40.00	40.00	2,435	320
Newton	Rogers, Mae	125.00	30.00	25.00	15.00	2,694	632
Okolona	Bailey, Frances	200.00	40.00	15.00	10.00	2,863	225
Oxford	Tuttle, Pearl	1,413.42	60.70	33.54	98.81	5,648	400
Pascagoula	Rogers, Euliss K.	693.10	50.79		30.37	2,144	426
Pasadena	Ranson, James	210.00	30.00		10.00	1,226	138
Philadelphia	Vivian, Mattie Mae	150.00	90.00	6.75	12.36	1,942	220
Pineyone	NO REPORT						
Port Gibson, Chamberlain Hunt	NO REPORT						
Rolling Fork	O'Neal, Alice	200.00	48.00	5.00	12.00	1,906	135
Rosedale	NO REPORT						
Ruleville	Russom, Edith	60.00	40.00			1,085	200
Sardis	Hitch, Jean	50.00				6,425	196
Shakville	Leggo, Ovey	140.00	60.00	15.00	25.00	3,000	300
Sumner	Leggo, Ovey	81.84	22.87			657	77
Tunica	Allen, Bertha Le	54.25	47.85			1,353	260
Tupelo	NO REPORT						
Vicksburg	Berry, Manie L.	231.77	83.00		15.00	3,849	255
West Point	Nield, Zaidce	438.50	65.00		50.00	6,421	750
Winona	Glass, Mary Evelyn	197.43	60.86			2,853	340
Yazoo City	Jennings, Bernice	196.81	35.75		12.55	1,867	
	NO REPORT						
TOTAL		\$15,045.06	\$2,943.26	\$672.86	\$966.79	149,572	16,787

